

playing w/fire

behind the circle  
tap passing  
burning sticks  
back & forth  
a secret way of  
saying hello  
but jerry  
who was afraid  
of fire since  
his mother  
accidentally  
torched herself  
after drinking a  
quart of scotch  
kept asking me  
not to  
i didn't listen  
jerry jumped  
every time  
i touched his  
clothes w/sparks